Menomonie Urban Forestry Board Minutes

May 16, 2018

Committee Members Present:

Eric Sutherland (1 hr.) Dennis Kropp (8 hrs.) Nancy Schofield (11 hrs.)

Cindy Gilberts (2 hrs.) Joe Jax (2 hrs.) Bob Giede (6 hrs.)

Others Present: Randy Eide, John Johnson, Dick Henning, and Sue Hitz

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe Jax. Roll call was taken by passing around a sign-up sheet and recording the volunteer hours. Minutes were sent to the committee prior to the meeting and were reviewed.

<u>Acceptance of Minutes of April 18th</u>: A motion was made by Dennis Kropp and seconded by Bob Giede to accept the minutes as presented. Carried on voice vote.

<u>Community Foundation Funds Status</u>: Nancy Schofield met with Georgina Tegart, Executive Director of the Community Foundation of Dunn County about joining the funds together. Nancy was able to accomplish the task of putting the two funds together. (Heritage Tree Fund with Carving Project Fund).

A motion was made by Dennis Kropp to take the balance needed up to \$1,000 from Urban Forestry Board funds if needed to cover the cost of the Lumberjack expenses. Cindy Gilberts seconded the motion. Motion carried on voice vote.

<u>Tree Memorial Location:</u> The Library will take the Tree Memorial. Bob Giede volunteered to make the base for the tree.

<u>DNR Grant ash bench at the Leisure Services Center</u>: Nancy Schofield and Bob Giede will work on the bench with the feet. The disc benches have been decided to be chain down by the T off. One at the Leisure Center, two at Wilson Park for the Farmers Market.

Arbor Day Event: The event was good. The tree will be planted soon.

Emerald Ash Borer Update: No update.

2018 Tree Planting Program: Sold twelve trees, eight have paid. Tree planting meeting which also includes tree care will be held soon.

City Council Report:

- Eric Sutherland has joined the Forestry Board as the Council Rep
- Haas got the low bid for Main Street
- Harmon concrete got the sidewalk bid for Stout Road
- The Broadway Bridge has been delayed until Sept. 2018 due to the fact of replacing all the joints on the old bridge.

Next Meeting: June 20, 2018 at City Hall, Conference Room at 2 P.M.

<u>Items for next meeting</u>: Invite Justin from Stout (Randy will contact), Update on tree planting, bench update, base update for memorial tree, partner with one or two organizations for the memorial fund, and Lumberjack Update.

Adjournment: Motion by Nancy Schofield and seconded by Bob Giede to adjourn.

Minutes taken and submitted by: Sue Hitz